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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the specification:

Listing of Claims:

1-51. (Canceled)

52. (Currently Amended) An isolated peptide (i) encoded by a nucleic acid ~~molecule~~ of at least 30 nucleotides in length having a sequence which constitutes a portion of the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:14, and (ii) which binds to an antibody in a binding reaction that is determinative of a herpesvirus associated with Kaposi's sarcoma, which herpesvirus is (a) present in and recoverable from the HBL-6 cell line (ATCC Accession No. CRL 11762) or (b) has a genome having substantial sequence identity with the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:1.

53. (Previously presented) A composition which comprises the peptide of claim 52 and a carrier.